

New Mexico - (Española Field Office)
FY 2003 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands

Applicant: _____ Farm No. _____ Tract No. _____ CMS Field No's. _____ Date: _____
Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating ____ Final Rating ____

1. Plants - 60 Potential Points (30% of Total)

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Points - Bench Mark	Points - After
Rangelands: Ecological Site Similarity Index (SI)*	SI of 76-100 w/trend up or not apparent	%	+ + = %	60		
	SI of 51-75 with upward trend	%	+ + = %	50		
	SI of 51-75 with downward trend	%	+ + = %	40		
	SI of 26-50 with upward trend	%	+ + = %	30		
	SI of 26-50 with downward trend	%	+ + = %	20		
	SI of 0-25 with upward trend	%	+ + = %	10		
	SI of 0-25 with downward trend	%	+ + = %	0		
Riparian	Use Attachment 1, 2, or 3	% Quality Bench Mark:	% Quality After:	%	60	
Grazed Forest:	Use Attachment 4	% Quality Bench Mark:	% Quality After:	%	60	
1. Plants		Total	100%	Total	100%	Total:

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 105 Potential Points (52.5% of Total)

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the EQIP Contract must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans.		Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	Points - After
Soil Erosion		0 - 25		
Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment		5		
Grade Stabilization Structure (410)		5		
Range Planting (550)		5		
Brush Management (314)		5		
Fencing (382)		5		
Water Quantity		0 - 20		
Spring Development (574)		5		
Pond (378)		5		
Well (642)		5		
Livestock Pipeline & Storage (516 & 614)		5		
Water Quality		0 - 20		
Well (642)		5		
Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)		5		
Pond (378)		5		
Fence (382)		5		
Air		0 - 5		
Range Planting (550)		5		
Plants		0 - 15		
Range Planting (550)		5		
Fencing (382)		5		
Brush Mgt (314)		5		
Animals		0 - 20		
Stream Habitat Improvement (395)		5		
Well (642)		5		
Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)		5		
Wildlife Watering Facility (648)		5		
2. Conservation Practice Selection		Total:		

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3. Other Considerations - 35 Potential Points (17.5% of Total)

Below are some suggested, not required, criteria. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to recommend based on LWG advice, please include them here.	Potential Points		Points - After
A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species.	15		
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	4		
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active sec. 319 project.	4		
D. This land is within a proposed sec. 319 project.	4		
E. Proposed contracted area will be treated to eradicate and/or prevent infestation of Class A and/or Class B noxious weeds, as designated by NMDA.	4		
F. This land is involved with other conservation enhancement programs such as Partners for Wildlife, NMG&F, etc.	4		
3. Other Considerations	Total:		

Designated Conservationist

Date